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## SUMMARY OF CASES ACCEPTED DURING THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2000

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The description or descriptions set out below do not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#00-157 People v. Orozco, S092122. (B131358.) Unpublished opinion. Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a judgment of conviction of a criminal offense. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in People v. Cleveland, S078537 (#99-94), which concerns the propriety of removing a juror for refusing to deliberate and follow the law.

#00-158 People v. Scrofani, S092299. (B128950.) Unpublished opinion. Petition for review after the Court of Appeal modified and affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in People v. Toledo, S089957 (#00-115), which concerns whether the general attempt statute does, and constitutionally may, apply to create the crime of an attempted violation of Penal Code section 422 (terrorist threats).

#00-159 People v. Wutzke, S092179. (D033221; 83 Cal.App.4th 622.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed in part and reversed in part a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. This case concerns whether a criminal defendant convicted of lewd acts on children in violation of Penal Code section 288, subdivision (a), who is the long-time, live-in companion of the grandmother of the victims, qualifies as a "relative" of the victims, within the meaning of Penal Code section 1203.066, subdivision (c)(1), and thus is eligible to be granted probation.